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Fall into Watershed Fun

Thank You for Your Support!

Tinker's Creek Watershed Partners (TCWP) would like to thank you for your support. Your support has helped us to implement our mission to protect and restore water quality and habitats of the Tinker's Creek watershed through community partnerships. **Today, we are calling on you to continue your participation in creating a healthy watershed by renewing your membership with TCWP.**

Your membership dollars help us provide services to communities in the watershed through:

- Grant writing
- Compliance with stormwater regulations
- Education and outreach on watershed health and protection
- Building community partnerships to preserve and protect natural resources
- Hosting the Ohio Stormwater Conference and the Tinker's Creek Watershed Festival

TCWP would not be able to offer these and other services without the continued support of dedicated individuals. **Annual membership fees are flexible and based on what you are**

able and willing to donate. To become a member using a credit card, click on the donate button at the bottom of this e-newsletter, enter 'Membership' in the Purpose textbox or click [here](#). Memberships are also accepted through the mail by filling out the [individual membership brochure](#) and sending a check.

PS: As a valued watershed supporter and member, please stop by our booth at the Watershed Festival to receive your thank you gift from TCWP. See below for more information on the festival.

Special Events

10th Annual Watershed Festival

When: October 3, 2015

Time: 9 am to 1 pm

Location: University Hospital Ahuja Medical Center (3999 Richmond Rd, Beachwood, OH 44122)

[Flyer](#)

This year's festival, in collaboration with University Hospital Ahuja Medical Center, is focused on celebrating healthy watersheds for healthy communities. *Healthy Watersheds:* the event will include a special tour of the environmentally friendly practices at the medical center. *Healthy Communities:* University Hospital will also be offering FREE health screenings.

The event is completely FREE and family friendly.

Do you work for an organization that would like to exhibit at the festival? Non-profits are free, contact Babette at [330-963-6243](tel:330-963-6243) or babette@tinkerscreekwatershed.org for questions or more information.

Rain Barrel Workshop

When: September 22, 2015

Time: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Location: Macedonia City Hall (9691 Valley View Road, Macedonia, Ohio 44056)

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[Rain barrels](#) help you capture rainwater for a later use. This water is better for your garden than tap water and helps to reduce the amount of stormwater that is leaving your property, protecting water quality.

A complete rain barrel system is only \$50! Complete system includes: a white 55 gallon barrel, downspout diverter, and spigot. At the workshop, participants will be instructed on how to put together their rain barrel and how to install the barrel once at home. Assistance and tools will be provided. Barrels can be painted.

Participants MUST register and pay for the barrels by *September 15, 2015* to reserve a rain barrel.

Contact Babette at [330-963-6243](tel:330-963-6243) or babette@tinkerscreekwatershed.org to register or for questions.

Seed Saving Basics and Planning Your Garden

When: October 17, 2015

Time: 11a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Pierce Streetsboro Library (8949 Kirby Ln, Streetsboro, OH 44241)

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This event will begin with an introduction on the impacts of stormwater and impaired soils on the health of the watershed. Next the [Cleveland Seed Bank](#) will present on methods of collecting seeds and planning a garden to help ensure a healthy harvest. Participants will receive FREE seeds and the first twelve attendees will receive a special seed saver guide.

To signup or for more information contact Babette at [330-963-6243](tel:330-963-6243) or babette@tinkerscreekwatershed.org.

Monthly Yard Care Tips for Clean Water

SEPTEMBER

DON'T LABOR OVER THE LAWN

- Aerate to introduce oxygen and reduce the incidence of thatch in the lawn. Both mechanical (core) and biological (liquid) methods are effective.
- Lawn seeding can be done until the end of the month. Be sure seed is in direct contact with the soil for best germination.
- If you aren't seeding your lawn this Fall, apply corn gluten meal to thwart Fall weed seeds.
- Continue to mow high at 3 or 4 inches.
- Monitor for grubs and animal activity; skunks dig to find grubs.



Did You Know?

Up to 6 million birds die each year as a direct result of exposure to lawn chemicals. Be a friend to the birds and use less chemicals.

Enjoy this monthly tip that will create a healthier lawn for your family while reducing waste and protecting local water resources. Additional monthly updates can be found [here](#).

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